

State Renews Contract With Budget Car Rental

The State has renewed its contract with Budget Car Rental, our primary car rental agency. The new contract includes the following negotiated rates for vehicles returned to the renting location:

Budget Car Rental			New York Metro, Newark Airport, Manhattan, LGA, JFK
Car Class	Daily Rates	Florida	
Compact	\$39.00	\$40.00	\$63.00
Intermediate	\$39.00	\$40.00	\$63.00
Full Size 2 dr	\$42.00	\$43.00	\$66.00
Full Size 4 dr	\$43.00	\$44.00	\$67.00
Premium	\$51.00	\$52.00	\$75.00
Sport Utility	\$65.00	\$66.00	\$89.00
Mini Van	\$65.00	\$66.00	\$89.00
Luxury	\$67.00	\$68.00	\$91.00

Other Contract Details

Other details of the Budget agreement include:

- ✓ Rates include unlimited miles (car returned to original renting location).
- ✓ No additional charge for drivers under 25 (minimum driving age is 21).
- ✓ No charge for additional drivers. Each driver must present a valid driver's license at the time of rental.
- ✓ Weekly/monthly rental discounts available.
- ✓ One-way rental discounts that allow travelers to pay for five days and keep the car for up to seven days.
- ✓ Surcharge of \$5 per day on all car sizes at all stations in the following locations: Atlanta, Baltimore, Boston, Chicago, Detroit, Hartford, Philadelphia, State of Texas, and Washington, D.C.
- ✓ Corporate rates are not available at LaGuardia, JFK, Newark Airport, and Manhattan locations during weekends and specified holiday periods. Corporate rates may not be available at some locations during peak demand or special event periods.
- ✓ Rates applicable for personal travel only if at least 25% is business travel.

Contract Includes Full Insurance Coverage

Because the contract with Budget includes full insurance coverage, travelers **should not take out additional insurance**. You should be aware, however, that the insurance does not cover items left in the rental cars.

Fastbreak Service

An additional feature of the Budget contract is free *Fastbreak Service* memberships for all travelers. Fastbreak eliminates or greatly reduces the amount of time spent waiting to pick up a car at the airport. There is no cost to sign up for the program.

With the *Fastbreak Service*, you save time and get on the road quickly without the



lines and paperwork. Travelers have two ways to save time—Choice or Counter. *Fastbreak Choice*, available at most major U.S. airports, is the easiest way to rent from Budget. Just confirm your reservation at the kiosk in the Budget lot, select your car from your designated car-class area, show your driver's license at the exit booth, and you are on your way. At *Fastbreak Counter* locations, show your driver's license to the counter agent and get your key.

To sign up for *Fastbreak Service*, complete an on-line profile. At the conclusion of the sign-up process you will receive a Budget Customer Number (BCN) that you should provide to the State Travel Office. The agent will add your Budget BCN to your traveler profile and use it to book your car rental reservations. **Please note that state policy requires employees who travel on state business to reserve and cancel car rentals through the State Travel Office.**

You can access Budget's on-line enrollment form for *Fastbreak Service* and obtain information on program details by going to our Web site at www.finance.utah.gov/travel/rentalcars.htm. Select *Time Saver Program* from the list at the top of the page, and then click the link for *Budget Fastbreak Express Service*. You can access Budget's *Fastbreak Service* on-line form directly at www.cendantcarrental.com/budget/fastbreak/index.html?T155600. ➔

Note These Changes at Salt Lake International Airport

- ➔ Visitors to Salt Lake International Airport will see a new outbound roadway system, a new parking toll plaza, and a new road into the existing Park and Wait Lot (short-term parking). The new roadways and toll plaza opened July 19. You can access a map of the roadway changes on the airport's Web site at www.slcairport.com/23.asp.
- ➔ The Salt Lake Airport now features real-time flight displays that provide real-time, automatically updated flight and weather information instead of relying on the airlines to manually change information. The service is also featured on the airport's Web site at www.slcairport.com/7.asp.
- ➔ The Salt Lake Airport offers both short-term and long-term parking. Rates for short-term parking are: first 30 minutes free; each additional 20 minutes or fraction thereof is \$1, to the daily maximum of \$19. Long-term parking rates are \$1 for each hour, to the daily maximum of \$6. The weekly maximum for long-term parking is \$42. The maximum state reimbursement for long-term parking is \$6 per day. ➔



Excess Baggage Fees Can Really Add Up

Don't forget that airlines charge for excess baggage. If you have more than two pieces of checked baggage or if one or more of your bags exceeds either



weight or size restrictions, you will be charged an excess baggage fee for each violation.

For each checked bag over the allotted two, you will pay \$50. Travelers will also pay \$25 per bag for luggage weighing 51 to 70 pounds and \$100 each for bags weighing 71 to 100 pounds. Airlines will not accept checked bags weighing more than 100 pounds.

Airlines also charge an excess baggage fee for oversize items. Travelers will pay an additional \$100 per bag for luggage that exceeds 62 inches (length + height + width). Airlines will not accept items over 80 inches total.

All charges are for each bag, one way.

List of Caterers Is Updated

The list of caterers on our Web site has been revised to add Utah Food Services in Salt Lake City. The list includes caterers statewide who have previously worked with agencies to provide food for group events at the state's per diem rates. You can access the list on our Web site at www.finance.utah.gov/travel/caterers.htm.



If you have questions about booking a caterer for a group event, contact Tami Nelson at 801-538-3109 or taminelson@utah.gov.

Expect Additional Delays at U.S. Airports This Summer Season

You can expect additional delays at U.S. airports this summer, according to a report released July 1 by the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT). *Business Travel News* says the DOT report blames the rampant delays in the first half of June on low-cost air carriers that have moved into additional airports, adding flights even as they cut fares. DOT expects about 200 million people to fly between Memorial Day and Labor Day, a 4.1 percent increase from summer 2004.



According to the report, delays averaged as much as 71 minutes, and 23 airports reported at least one-quarter of flights had been affected. Nine airports reported delays affecting 30 percent of their flights.

Atlanta, where 35 percent of flights were delayed, topped DOT's list of problem airports. New York LaGuardia had the longest average wait time of 71 minutes, while other New York-area major airports (JFK and Newark) also were among the top 10 problem airports.

Other cities listed as facing the most delays include Chicago O'Hare; Miami, Fort Lauderdale, and West Palm Beach in Florida; Philadelphia; Louisville, Ky.; and Washington Dulles. ➔